

Senate Resolution 977

By: Senators Rogers of the 21st and Murphy of the 27th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Cheryl Ruffer; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, *The Townelaker* magazine each month recognizes a local person that
3 exemplifies the qualities of a pathfinder, someone that is leading the way and trying to make
4 the community the best it can be; and

5 WHEREAS, Cheryl Ruffer was recognized by *The Townelaker* magazine as Pathfinder of
6 the Month for April 2007; and

7 WHEREAS, Cheryl and her husband, Bruce, along with their children, Jackson and Rachel,
8 moved to Canton, Georgia, in July of 2003, and since that time, Cheryl has become a leader
9 in the community, making a difference on a daily basis and reaching out to those in need; and

10 WHEREAS, this foster parent began her community involvement by volunteering in her
11 local Salvation Army thrift store before becoming involved with MUST Ministries, making
12 weekly bread runs and collecting supplies for the Give A Kid A Chance outreach program;
13 and

14 WHEREAS, she has played an integral role in starting such programs as the Liberty Hill
15 Church Thanksgiving outreach feast for the local Hispanic community; the feast provides a
16 free meal for more than 300 area residents; and

17 WHEREAS, Cheryl Ruffer, a champion of the underdog who thinks of every human being
18 as a precious child of God, is a role model with an incredibly giving heart; and

19 WHEREAS, she not only volunteers with big organizations but she is ready and willing to
20 help everyday individuals, her neighbors, or even strangers, and thereby, Cheryl exemplifies
21 the true sense of giving of oneself to others.

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
2 commend and congratulate Cheryl Ruffer on being recognized by *The Townelaker* magazine
3 as Pathfinder of the Month for April 2007 and express to her their appreciation for her
4 selfless contributions to her community and this state.

5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
6 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Cheryl Ruffer.